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TO THE READER.

This little publication is the outcome of the generous co-operation of many active members of the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion, who are striving today to carry on worthily the splendid traditions of the past; they are thoroughly convinced of the importance of the Chapel and its work.

The Editor has left each of his aids to write as he or she felt best-in the belief that their personal and individual statements would be of infinitely greater value than if he were to write the book himself.

He desires to place on record a sense of his deep obligation and thanks to all of these good people, whose active interest he appreciates deeply.

The publication has been designed to afford a picture of the actual work, carried on at the present time in the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion. The chapters are simple statements of fact without embellishment.

For the beautiful Cover Design, the Editor wishes to thank Mr Howard S. Hipwell, whose artistic skill and creative genius, have been lying dormant too long. Mr Hipwell has also been responsible for the Illustrated Supplement, which, it is hoped, will find a place on the walls of the homes of many of the admirers of Mr and Mrs George C. Thomas, the Chapel's founders and benefactors.

An Appreciation - By 'One who knew them'.

Mr. George C. Thomas

He was born in Philadelphia, October 28th. 1839, and entered into Rest in that same city, April 21st. 1909.

The first service of this Chapel (the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion) was held in a temporary place near by, on September 26th 1886. The present Chapel of the Holy Communion was erected by George Clifford Thomas, and completed in 1888. You can see the Tablet in the North East part of the Church with the following inscription 'To the Glory of God and in humble acknowledgment of His Sparing Mercy with a sick Child on the Great Deep, this Tablet is erected by the grateful father'. A.D. 1888 'When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee'.

The words of this inscription, with his own name omitted, are typical of the donor, who never sought the praise of men, although giving constantly and generously to religious and charitable works, to say nothing of tremendous personal help, done so quietly that few could have begun to guess. He gave himself with equal devotion to the far and near, for his sympathies were world-wide, and his own Parish and City gave abundant opportunity for personal contact and individual help.

For thirteen years, Mr. Thomas was Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Church, and during twenty one years, a Deputy to the General Conviction.

In 1868, he was asked by Phillips Brooks to take charge of the Sunday School of the Church of the Holy Apostles. This Mr. Thomas started with 37 pupils, and before the time of his death in 1909, there was an average attendance of about 1000 each Sunday. His untiring devotion, intense energy, tremendous charm of personality, great human understanding, his keen sense of humor, his unfailing tact with old and young, rich and poor, not only drew but held people with the beautiful example of his life- 'Unspotted from the world'.

Having once seen him, you could not forget him, and those of us who were privileged to know this great 'Soldier and Servant of Christ' must now and always be thankful for our blessed memories. He was indeed the foremost Layman our Church has produced. Greater than his gifts of money was the gift of himself.

Love of music was one of Mr. Thomas' dominant characteristics. He was an accomplished musician, and for many years, volunteer Organist of his own Church.

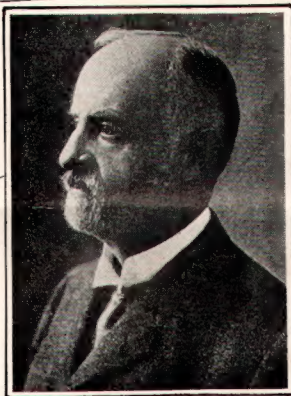
The death of George Clifford Thomas deprived Philadelphia of one of her most valued citizens, a man of quiet force, high minded endeavor, and large benevolence, whose life left the world better than he found it;

Mr Thomas was graduated from the Episcopal Academy, and, as a young man, his great ability was recognised and he was asked to become a member of the celebrated banking firm of Jay Cooke and Co., where Mr. Thomas was actively associated in promoting and carrying on the largest and most successful financial operations ever undertaken by any government. In 1883, he again won recognition when invited by Anthony J. Drexel to become a member of the widely known Drexel firm. For the rest of his life, Mr. Thomas ranked among the first of Philadelphia's international bankers.

Among the many tributes offered to his memory was the following



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editorial, which appeared in a Philadelphia paper, and which I quote in part. "Banker, philanthropist, and Churchman, George C. Thomas has enriched more than himself, during a long, busy, and successful life. He held standards of personal integrity and business honor. He continued the sound, careful and conservative tradition of the banking of this city, and he did his work as a banker by the wise and fruitful use of personal honor, credit and resources, and not through banking corporations, or their manipulations."

"Such men by example, and by achievement strengthen every good impulse in their callings, lesson the force and peril of temptation for others, and by rendering investments more secure and credit more stable, stimulate thrift, encourage saving, and give hope and security to multitudes. The whole level of business transactions, of care in contracts, and of diligence and prudence in dealing with the investments of others, is raised and advanced by a banker like George C. Thomas. Through his honesty, honor and prescience, other men profit, and the community gains. He added to his large gifts, and he gave with a banker's far-seeing system. He understood that men immeasurably increase the value of their benefactions, when they build into institutions and aid and endow organisations that live after them. He was a conspicuous example of the many American laymen to whom wealth is a responsibility and not a privilege, and who give to the service of humanity a daily diligent labor, more valuable than all their gifts"

"By the timely aid of George C. Thomas, lives were brightened, and men and women in need, in perplexity, and in temptation, had from him the wise counsel, the worth of which was proved by his own personal success. As he went in and out among men in all his ways and work, his acts, his utterances, his optimism, and his consistent life made all who knew and met him, more awake and more likely to lead the life which fills the earth with good deeds because of the belief that better than the earth can give, lies beyond security and steadfastness".

"This is the description of a true life- a life of quiet force, high minded endeavor and large benevolence-a life that left the world better than he Found it".

"Such was that of George Clifford Thomas".

Mrs George C. Thomas.

His wife, the former Ada E. Moorhead, who, through forty two years of their married life, went hand in hand with her husband in his work of philanthropy, continued in her widowhood to devote her days to good deeds.

For fifty six years, Mrs. Thomas taught in the Sunday School at Holy Apostles Church. She was President of the Woman's Auxiliary, and of the Sisterhood, a member of the Colonial Dames, and of the English-Speaking Union, besides being the First President of the United Thank Offering of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, holding that office for twenty five years. As a Memorial to Mrs. Thomas, who was one of the outstanding Missionary workers of the Episcopal Church, the sum of \$85,000 was presented by the Diocese at the General Convention in New Orleans in 1925, and a beautiful Minute of appreciation of her life and work was adopted with thankfulness for her life and leadership

On June 3rd. 1924, she, too, entered into Rest. The noble life of this gentle-hearted woman left a fragrant memory that will ever be tenderly cherished in Philadelphia.

MEMORIALS

The following Memorials have been presented today on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Chapel's Foundation.

Girl's Friendly Society

Lectern Bible Markers, and Altar Book Markers given in memory of the four departed Associates of the Girl's Friendly Society:

Rebecca Scott, who died July 8th, 1929
Theresa Watson who died December 6th, 1929
Josephine Zackey who died July 16th, 1932
Elizabeth Naulty who died September 22nd, 1935

Communion Cruet, given by some of her friends, in loving memory of Elizabeth Galbraith, a member, who died December 10th, 1931

Other Memorials presented today are:

Red Lectern Bible Markers:

Given by Mrs. Samuel MacLaughlin, Sr. in memory of her mother, Mrs. Mary Jane Winslow, also in memory of Samuel MacLaughlin, Jr., given by his wife and children.

Prayer Desk Hymn Book:

In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Darrah given by their children.

During the past ten years, Memorial and Mural Tablets have been presented to the Chapel as follows:

Service Books by Mrs. Theresa Schorer in memory of her mother, Mrs. Theresa Watson.

Altar Book by Harry Balliesen in memory of his father - John A. Balliesen.

Pulpit Fall by her parents and grandmother in memory of Ruth Anna Becker.

Communion Rails by the Peoples Family in memory of Mrs. Martha Peoples.

Mural Tablets by her family in memory of Mrs. Maria Harvey
" " " " " in memory of Mrs. R. J. Young
" " " Mrs. Schuyler Volkmar in memory of the
late Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thomas.

THE VICAR'S APOLOGIA.

Dear Friends,

Let me introduce whatever I have to say by bidding you a cordial welcome to the Chapel of the Holy Communion on its FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY.

We are glad that you have come.

If you are an old member, and, on looking around the Church see an array of new faces, please do not think that you are alone here this morning. You are not. The spirits of the departed are near us. They know what we are doing: they can gauge its import.

You are not alone- if you have your thoughts.

Yonder is the Font where you may have been Baptised; in front of you is the Sacred Rail where you were Confirmed, or at which you made your First Communion. Before it, you may have stood at the time you pledged your troth 'each to the other'.

Even as you sit in your pew, the atmosphere quivers with the harmonious praise of hundreds of angelic voices- voices of those, who, having entered into rest, enjoy even now the uninterrupted Beatific Vision.

Denizens of a far country, they are here with us. The smile of Divine approval flits, like the morning sunlight of Heaven across their faces, as they bend down and watch.

Lift up your heart in prayer and praise, my dear friend.

You are not alone.

If you are a new member, remember that you have entered into a goodly heritage. You are heir to a great tradition of unselfish service, generously given for the spread of Christ's Kingdom on earth.

Yes, it is true that you are a social and spiritual entity, individually responsible to God for your own eternal destiny.

No one will deny you the right to think so.

But you are more than that.

You are part of a great and glorious Whole, you are an essential part of the Church- the BODY OF CHRIST.

A Communicant of the Chapel of the Holy Communion- yes, more than that.

You belong to the great Parish of the Holy Apostles, whose contribution to the growth and development of the Anglican Church in the United States of America is a priceless asset of our Common Church History.

Whatever changes are wrought by the hand of time, the passing of the years can never blot out that splendid record. Future historians of the Church can never afford to ignore it.

The record is there for all time. It is graven in indelible characters on the thought and life of the Diocese of Pennsylvania and also of the whole general Church.

Having thus entered into such an heritage- what contribution are you making to its continued welfare to-day?

Will you prayerfully answer that question as you sit in your pew this morning?

I have been vicar of the Chapel of the Holy Communion since June 6 1926, more than ten years.

It has been a wonderfully interesting and stimulating experience, unmarred by discord.

The relationship which has existed between the Rector and Vestry of the Church of the Holy Apostles, my own Advisory Board, the congregation and myself, has always been of the most happy kind.

I am glad to bear witness to this fact.

My people at 27th. and Wharton Sts., have always risen to the occasion when necessity demanded it. It would be difficult to find a group more definitely imbued with the desire to help than my own.

We may not be endowed with great wealth; we may not consort with the exalted rulers of the earth, strutting across life's little stage, clad in purple and fine linen, but- we have warm hearts and a genuine desire to do what we can for the cause of Jesus Christ and His Kingdom.

People have at times come to me and asked the question; 'why do you stay so long in South Philadelphia?' Why don't you take a less exacting field of work'.

Yes, I have put that query to myself when calls to other spheres have come. On due analysis, I find that my determination to hold on has ultimately been decided by congregational loyalty and enthusiasm.

As a congregation, we are very much alive.

Nothing is so encouraging as enthusiasm; it is so infectious. Nothing, on the other hand, can chill one's ardor more effectually than indifference and lethargy, characterised by a pathetic-oriental, if you like, attitude of submission to whatever comes along.

The deadness and indifference of His Own City sent a chill to the heart of Christ. It was at Capernaum that He could do none of His mighty works.

Indifference-whether it is the first or the twentieth century- blasts enthusiasm, and ends in a rabid cynicism, which is fatal to any Christian effort.

As American method is so radically different from what I had learned in Ireland-my native land; I had perforce, on arriving in Philadelphia to readjust my whole attitude towards the scheme of economic life.

At the University, it was delightful pastime to play with abstract economic theory- the problem of riches and poverty, of distribution and consumption- to wander in the field of ideas, as one studied cause and effect; but these excursions, through the realm of human speculation in the lecture room and study, produced reactions very different from those which one experiences in the arena of practical life, for the battlefield of human activity is filled with realism, which one never finds in the lecture hall.

I have in the past few years had abundant opportunity to test theory by practice. To me, the interesting result is that, in spite of all the new-fangled notions and methods which the modern Athenians propound so carefully for us, the basic and fundamental principles of Political Economy are, in my humble judgment, as valid to day, as they were in the age of Plato, Adam Smith, John Stuart Mill or Alfred Marshall.

On the material side, I divide my decade in Philadelphia roughly into two sections- first, three years and four months of what

was euphemistically called 'prosperity', and, secondly, six years and eleven months of what may be termed 'adversity'.

The first- the era of the Boom, was marked, we remember by high wages and dear money. It was the Utopia when men and boys scoffed at four dollars a day, when, in fact dollar bills were with many-little more than counters- not real money.

Siren voices chanted in unison that the New World had entered the land flowing with milk and honey, that day would never be night; and so, an orgy of spending ensued, the like of which had never been witnessed before. Workmen attired themselves in silk shirts for which they gladly paid one dollar a stripe.

Why shouldn't they?

All the cheap and artful prophets of the hour, neatly attired in the latest styles, were crying out that something 'new'- something distinctly American- something entirely different from the shop-worn methods of the Old World, had been injected into our commercial life.

Everybody was in the market for something for nothing.

In vain, did a few cautious seers, whose voices were lost in the uproar of the market place, declare that they discerned a cloud on the horizon no larger than a man's hand.

'Perish the thought'- cried the financial wizards.

'On with the dance: let joy be unconfined'.

'Let these croaking heralds of disaster clean their glasses; theirs is a distorted vision'. Such was the cry.

We had the Gold. The God of Gold must save us in any emergency, and down we fell prostrate at the feet of Midas, as did the prophets of the grove before Baal.

'Oh Midas, save us', we cried, but-

The relentless urge of economic principles, like the under-swell of the ocean, was silently undermining our house of cards, and, like Dagon, it fell in October 1929,

and so

The second and longer period of my service was heralded by universal national lamentation, where there had formerly been joy and gladness.

Down we sank into the quagmire created by the debacle of 1929, blasting, as it did, the hopes and ambitions of thousands of people, sweeping away with the fury of a prairie fire the savings of years.

Hitherto, so ready to lend, bankers now steeled their jaws and closed their fists with vice-like tenacity.

The heavy hand of financial reckoning fell pitilessly- remorselessly on mortgagors. The air rang with cries for more collateral- more collateral. Banks closed their doors, and building and loan associations went up in smoke all over the land.

Homes were thrown on the auction block and sacrificed for ready cash.

Families, who had enjoyed a competency, were forced out on the breadline.

Children cried themselves to sleep at night when they went to bed hungry.

The haunting spectre of hunger and want, with its usual concomitants- mal-nutrition and disease- spread its ugly wings over a district where happiness had reigned so long.

Caught and broken on the tortuous wheel of doubtful financial method and practice, people in Philadelphia and elsewhere were pushed to the wall.

The worst feature of the situation was, that in too many cases the victims suffered through no fault of their own.

It was at such a juncture that many folks realised the aptness of ~~that~~ eternally true dicta of Benjamin Franklin- 'If you would know the value of money, go, and try to borrow some', for 'he that goes a-borrowing goes a-sorrowing', and also that other aphorism of the wisest Philadelphian who ever lived, written as far back as the year 1756- 'Those have a short Lent, who owe money to be paid at Easter'.

Yes, Mr. Franklin, you told us all this and a great deal more.

I trust I am not mistaken in believing that the storm has spent itself, and that brighter days seem to be in store for the country.

I hope a saner people will meet the situation of to-morrow, chastened by the mistakes of yesterday.

I am glad that the Chapel of the Holy Communion has weathered the gale successfully.

When the storm signals were hoisted for us in the year 1933, I summoned the crew on deck, and told it of the rocks lying ahead.

One and all- every man and woman went to the pumps, worked with a will, with the result that we closed 1933- all obligations met and a balance in hand.

This was repeated in 1934 and also in 1935.

Such action inspires me with confidence to believe that so long as their means will allow it, our people will not remain idle, when the ship is in danger.

All our organisations are working well.

It would be invidious to single out any one. I wish to take this opportunity to bear genuine testimony to the fidelity and general willingness of all to participate in a common task.

At the moment, our position is sound; but its maintenance calls for renewed effort.

In such a spirit I close; but before doing so, I must pay a deep and heartfelt tribute to my wife, whose unbounded optimism has always been a wonderful stimulus to me, especially during the dark days of the Depression years. Her wide knowledge, her unerring judgment, her sane and calm approach to life and its problems, have helped me to rise above the hurdles which lay in the way. To her I owe more than can be expressed here.

Let us re-affirm our trust in God- looking, not to the right hand nor to the left, but unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our Faith.

All will then be well.

"And the Lord said unto Moses, 'speak unto the Children of Israel that they go forward' ".

September 26. 1936.

Frank Bonyage
Vicar —

THE CHAPEL CALENDAR.

1885:-

June 1. The Rev. Henry Getz calls attention to the need for Missionary work in the South West corner of the Convocation of South West Philadelphia which comprised all the territory South of Walnut St. and West of Broad. It was decided that a Sunday School and Mission Station under the charge of the Rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles should be established.

October 12. The first appropriation is made for the Mission on Gray's Ferry Road.

1886:-

June 21. Mr. George C. Thomas reports that a Committee from the Church of the Holy Apostles had lots under consideration located between Ellsworth St. and Wharton St. and 24th. and 28th. Sts. and that the Church hoped to buy one without expense to the Convocation.

August 16. Mr. William F. Ayer, a member of the Sunday School of the Holy Apostles, is engaged as Lay Reader and Superintendent of the proposed new Mission Sunday School.

September 26. First Service in the newly-established Mission was held at McFadden's Hall at the junction of Gray's Ferry Road and Carpenter Sts. rented at \$20.00 per. month.

First Sunday School on this day at 2.30 P.M. with 5 Officers and 26 Scholars.

First Service at 4 P.M. conducted by the Clergy of the Church of the Holy Apostles, with Mr. George C. Thomas presiding at the Organ.

1887:-

February 9. Mr. Thomas reports to the Vestry that he had purchased the lot at 27th. and Wharton Sts. adding that he proposed to erect a building thereon in acknowledgement of his thankfulness to God for His mercy in having spared the life of his son, George C. Thomas, Jr. who had been dangerously ill at sea. Two sums of \$1350 each were subscribed by

Messrs. Lemuel Coffin and Alexander Brown covering payments to the owners of the lots.

(McFadden's Hall served as temporary quarters for the Mission for a period of 16 months. During this time the Chapel and the Sunday School Building were being erected).

1888:-

January 25. Thursday evening. On this evening- the 20th. Anniversary of the Church of the Holy Apostles-the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion was dedicated by the Rt. Rev. C. W. Whittaker, Bishop of Pennsylvania. On the way to the Chapel, the carriage, in which Dr. Cooper, Rector of the Parish, Dr. Phillips Brooks and Dr. and Mrs. McVickar were driving to the Church, was struck by a locomotive at 25th. St. in crossing the Railroad track but fortunately the occupants escaped injury. The following Clergy took part in the Service- Dr. Cooper and the Rev. Henry Getz of Holy Apostles, the Rev. Dr. McVickar and the Rev. Henry Stone, President and Secretary respectively of the South West Convocation, the Rev. Richard Newton Thomas, Rector of St. Phillips' Church, West Phila. Mr. Wm. F. Ayer, and the Rev. Dr. Bolton, Hope Presbyterian Church. Addresses were made by Bishop Whittaker, Drs. Cooper and Phillips Brooks. Dr. Cooper struck the keynote in the words- "the Mission depends on the people for whom the Chapel is built, though it is still to be encouraged by the Clergy, Superintendent, and other helpers of the Church of the Holy Apostles".

January 29. First Service in the new Chapel with attendance of 160 persons.

1889:-

June 2. First Episcopal Visitation and First Confirmation with 8 candidates. 3 male and 5 females.

The Chapel was crowded to capacity.

1889:-

June 16. The Rev. William F. Ayer is advanced to the Priesthood. During this Summer, the Infant School quarters became so cramped that additional room had to be provided. The result was that what is now the present Chancel of the Chapel was built by Mr. George C. Thomas to meet the need.

1890:-

June 26. Second Confirmation Class presented with 5 candidates- 1 male and 4 females.

1891:-

January 4. Third Confirmation Class made up of 6 candidates- 2 males and 4 females.

August. Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thomas began the erection of the Parish House for Sunday School and general Church purposes- in affectionate remembrance of their fathers- Mr. John W. Thomas, and Mr. Joel Barlow Moorhead.

1892:-

March 16. The new Parish House is dedicated by Bishop Whittaker and endowed with \$6,000.

April. The number of the Chapel Communicants had now risen to 72. The Sunday School numbered 415.

November 1. All Saints' Day. The Chapel is Consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese. Both the Choirs of the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Chapel contributed the music.

November 6. The Chapel Choir formally took up the work of supplying the music for the weekly Services.

1895:-

May 26. On this day, the Chapel Choir entered the Chapel through the new Cloister for the first time in Vestments.

1896:-

IN THIS YEAR THE CHAPEL BECAME SELF-SUPPORTING. IT THEN DECLINED FURTHER AID FROM THE SOUTH WEST CONVOCATION. THIS RECORD HAS BEEN MAINTAINED EVER SINCE.

1896:-

October. The Communicant Roll now had risen to 154. The Sunday School had 500 on the roll.

1906:-

August 1. The Rev. William F. Ayer resigns his ministry at the Chapel after a stay of 20 years.

December 19. The Rev. William P. Remington is elected Vicar and enters on an active and fruitful Ministry, during the course of which he organises the Mons' Club and builds successfully on the foundations of the structure laid by his predecessor.

1908:-

The new Vicarage is finished at a cost of \$12,000; the project being the fulfilment of an offer made by Mr. George C. Thomas on October 8, 1906.

1909:-

Maunday Thursday (April 8), Evoning Service at the Chapel attended by 130 persons. Mr. Thomas made the address, speaking on the text St. Matthew, Chapter XXVII, verse 36, and dealing with the different classes of persons who surrounded the Cross of Our Blessed Lord.

April 11. Easter Sunday. Easter Carol Service at the Chapel at 3 P.M.; 425 present. Lenten Offering presented, amounting to \$1,759.47. Addresses were made by the Rector- the Rev. N. S. Thomas and by Mr. George C. Thomas.

April 16. Reception by the Men's Club of the Chapel to the ladies and a few of their invited guests. A programme of songs was contributed by the Misses Margaret and Lizzie O'Neill and by Mr. Robert Neeley. The attendance included the Rector of the Parish and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thomas, and the Rev. W.P. Remington. Mr. George C. Thomas had to leave the meeting early but before going delivered a short address.

April 21. Death of Mr. George C. Thomas, the founder of the Chapel and its most generous benefactor.

April 22. Special meeting of the Vestry of the Parish which drew up resolutions of sympathy with the members of the bereaved family. In this work the Vestry was joined

by the representatives of the Chapel.

The funeral was the occasion for the outpouring of a great expression of sympathy from all creeds and classes. 100 Clergy of the Diocese were present at the Church Service, which was attended by Bishops Whittaker and Mackay Smith of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Bishop Scarborough of New Jersey, and Bishop Robinson of Nevada.

Messages of sympathy poured in from leaders of the Church in all parts of the country. Both the American and British Press joined in the general mourning at the loss which the Anglican Communion had sustained. At the graveside, the Service was conducted by Bishop Mackay Smith and the Rector of the Parish- the Rev. Nathaniel S. Thomas.

At the Chapel of the Holy Communion, the Vicar, the Rev. W.P. Remington, alluded to the loss which the Chapel had suffered. He also wrote of Mr. Thomas in the Parish Intelligence of May, 1909, as follows:-

"Death came to him as the closing event in a busy life on earth, and the stretching forth of his hands to reach after the fuller life which lay ahead of him. There must be for the Christian somewhere or other a continuity of service, a continuation of the joy of work in the Lord's cause, which shall be unfettered by any weariness or fatigue....what I want to tell you of is the faith which I have is that our service begun here, oh so feebly, sometimes, is continued in the other life. If this is true, and I believe that it is true, then can we not think of our loyal friend and the splendid helpfulness of his life being even now of more value to us than his very presence perhaps, I am speaking of deep mysteries, but of one thing at least I am certain, George C. Thomas's dear memory should be to every one of us an inspiration, an uplift and an example. His love for this Church, this Parish, and our own Chapel was the expression of his deeper love for Christ. You and I can best raise a monument to his memory by a greater devotion and loyalty to the cause he served".

1911:-

April 17. Easter Monday. The Rev. W.P. Remington resigns to become the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Minneapolis, to the universal regret of the people of the Chapel. They learned, subsequently, with much gratification of his election as Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota, and his Consecration on January 10, 1918.

1911:-

September 11. The Rev. Alfred R. Berkeley is elected Vicar, coming to the Chapel with very considerable experience gained in a Ministry in North Carolina. He found a large growing neighborhood and kept pace with it. The Chapel family became a united and happy one. If Mr. Ayer was the pioneer, and Mr. Remington was the builder, Mr. Berkeley was the socialiser, and the Chapel gained the just recognition as being a friendly Church.

It was during the Vicariate of Mr. Berkeley that the late Rev. William P. Ramsaur became active in the Chapel's life and work, acting as Assistant Minister and looking particularly after the boys and young men. Like Mr. Berkeley, Mr. Ramsaur left an impress on the life of the congregation which the passing of the years has not effaced. The Church at large will recall with feelings of emotion the sterling work (which both his wife and he did in the Mission field in Liberia, where the same excellent qualities of head and heart, the same consecration to duty made his work outstanding in the muster roll of the many devoted Missionaries who have laid down their lives there.

1914:-

July. Outbreak of the Great War in which many of the young men of the Chapel participated; serving in both branches of the Service.

1915:-

February 14. The largest Confirmation Class consisting of 83 candidates presented by Mr. Berkeley to Bishop Rhinelander. The following year -1916- another class of 80 candidates was presented by the same Vicar.

1916:-

October 29. On this day Mr. Berkeley terminated a most profitable Ministry in Philadelphia, leaving the city to take up the important work of Rector of St. Paul's Church, New Orleans, Louisiana, where he was destined to remain till the year 1926. A crowded congregation filled the Chapel at the Vicar's last Service, and universal regret was expressed that the happy connections which he had formed should be terminated.

1917:-

January 7. On this day, the Rev. Herbert Hannah assumed the post that had been vacated by Mr. Berkeley. The new Vicar brought to the work in this city much experience gained in both the State and City of New York. Possessing real capacity for organisation, Mr. Hannah was an apostle of method. Many of the older members of the Chapel still recall with feelings of gratitude his fearless devotion to pastoral duty during the terrible days of the influenza epidemic of 1918, and how at the risk of his life he never allowed anything to militate against what he considered his duty to the people during the prevalence of the scourge.

The Chapel was closed on account of the epidemic from September 29 till October 27 and our records show that from this Church there were 27 funerals of victims of the disease.

1918:-

January 1. Deaconess Bispham joined the staff of the Chapel, coming to her new work from St. George's Church, Richmond, Philadelphia, where she had worked for 4 years. The Deaconess received her training in England, commencing at St. John's, Kilburn, London, from which she went successively to All Saint's, Hockley, and St. Bartholomew's Church, in the Diocese of Birmingham, and thence to St. Mark's Church, in the Diocese of Bath and Wells. In her long connection with the Chapel of the Holy Communion, the Deaconess has witnessed the birth and growth of most of the younger members of the congregation. She continues to evince the same keen interest in everything that appertains to the welfare of the women and girls among whom her lot has been cast.

1918:-

November 17. Peace Sunday, the first Service after the Armistice ending the Great War. The weather was very stormy. At the Morning Service 161 persons were present.

1920:-

The Rev. Herbert Hannah terminated his Ministry, preaching his last sermon on November 21 in the evening. He celebrated the Holy Communion on the following Thursday- Thanksgiving Day.

In the interim between Advent, 1920, and the New Year, the Services at the Chapel were taken by the Revs. C. P. Bispham and Samuel H. Wood.

1921:-

January 1. The Rev. Samuel H. Wood who had been on the staff of the Holy Apostles becomes the new Vicar. He brought to his work a very real interest in human need, quickly making his influence felt not only in the Church but also on the outside. It is just to say that Mr. Wood was a real friend of everyone. Self-effacing, reluctant to hurt the feelings of anyone, generous without distinction of class or creed, he had a host of friends. With the children he was especially popular.

1924:-

June 3. Mrs. George C. Thomas died on this date, to the great regret of the people of the Parish and also to her many friends at the Chapel.

1926:-

January 31. The Rev. S. H. Wood conducts his farewell Service on his appointment as Rector of St. Matthias Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Edward Bonsall assumed temporary charge of the Chapel's affairs.

June 6. The present Vicar- the Rev. Frank Bonyngé assumed office, bringing a varied experience gained in the Diocese of Louisiana, and also in the Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin, and Ardagh, and in the Diocese of Meath, Ireland.

1927:-

October 27. The death occurred suddenly of Mr. Wood at his house.

1930:-

December 27. The Rev. W.F. Ayer, first Vicar of the Chapel, died at the Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia.

1936:-

August 22. Death of Mr. George W. Jacobs, Accounting Warden of the Parish of the Holy Apostles, and for many years deeply interested in the work of the Chapel. Mr. Jacobs died at the age of 74, and was buried at West Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia.

THE CHANCEL GUILD

Mrs George D. Craig, President

Mrs J. Devitt, Sec.

The Chancel Guild is one of the oldest organisations of the Chapel, almost dating back to the Church's foundation. Today it consists of a very active body of women, who are doing a real work, about which the congregation knows very little. This consists of taking care of the Chancel and all its appointments, the flower vases, the bookrests, the Baptismal Font, all the Memorial Tablets in the Church and the Parish House. This work is performed every week with surprising regularity.

The members also have made themselves responsible for the keeping in a proper condition both the Senior and Junior Choir Vestments.

Two women of the body each week in the year are on hand to do their part in this very necessary work. On the Special Days of the Church Year, the Guild, notably on Palm Sunday and Easter, almost one hundred per cent, may be found taking care of the decorations. Visitors to the Chapel on Easter Sunday have again and again commented on the beautiful display of plants and flowers, all tastefully arranged with the utmost care. On the night of Easter Even, almost a dozen women are engaged in wrapping plants and exerting every effort to make the display the next day as effective as possible. When the Service is over on Easter Sunday night, all these plants and flowers are carefully separated. Bunches are sent to the sick and shut-ins, according to the list supplied by the Chapel Office. These little exhibitions of sympathy are very much appreciated by the sick and sorrowing, judging by the hundreds of letters received from year to year.

Again at Thanksgiving, the Chancel Guild is again in evidence to add to the beauty of the Sacred Building by placing around our Sanctuary the fruits and flowers of the field.

To provide for its upkeep, the organisation at stated times of the year holds little sales which are generally very successful in raising the money necessary for its operation.

On Easter Sunday cut flowers are placed on the Altar in memory of the Chapel's benefactors-Mr and Mrs George C. Thomas- and at the Corporate Communion on the First Sunday in November, the Departed Members of the Guild are remembered in the same way.

All the Guild members take the deepest interest in their work, feeling, as they justly may, that they are doing some really useful work for God and His Church.

THE NEW CUSHION COVERS.

The congregation is indebted to Mr and Mrs James Hamilton for the very beautiful new cushion covers in use today for the first time.

Both Mr and Mrs Hamilton are old and devoted members of the Chapel, interested in everything that appertains to its welfare.

For many years, they resided in South Philadelphia in close proximity to the Church where Mrs Hamilton was one of the early active members of the Chancel Guild. Though residing now in West Philadelphia, they are most regular in their attendance.

In the name of the Chapel, the Vicar is glad to take advantage of the present opportunity to thank Mr and Mrs Hamilton for their generous and practical gift. He trusts that they may be long spared to continue their attendance at the House of God in this locality.

THE CHOIR

Space does not permit a full recital of the accomplishments of our Chapel Choir. However, few Churches have been better served by loyal and Faithful devotion. We are grateful to those members who served in past years. Through their efforts a foundation was laid, a foundation of accomplishment that challenges us to carry on through future years, a high standard for us to maintain and improve upon. Our choir has been remarkably free from friction, due, no doubt, to the fact that membership originates in the congregation and also that membership has always been deemed an honor and an opportunity to further the Cause of Christ and His Church.

The founders of our Chapel built wisely and records of the first meeting in that humble hall show that they intended that proper music should have its rightful place in the services. In those early days we read of Mr. Thomas playing the organ and leading the singing and the fine solos of Miss Wilkinson. Then in September 1892 a Choir Organisation was formed with Miss Richardson at the organ, Robert Rankin as Choirmaster and instruction by Mr George Bishop. The Choir numbered about twenty and served well, for the first vested Choir entered the Church on May 26th. 1895. What a thrill that must have brought to the congregation! And, let us pause for a moment, three members of that Choir, Mrs Emma Mills, Mrs Maria MacFarland and Miss Jennie Dunlap are still with us to tell us about those great days.

The ensuing years show that same sincere service, loyalty and desire to sing God's praises and to carry on the work of the Church. Who will forget the efforts of the early leaders? Who will forget the works of their successors? No one! The names of Mr Porter, Mr Knorr, Mr. Ashwood, the assistance of Mr. F. Lyman Wheeler and the long and efficient service of Miss Nellie Porter will always be recorded in the History of the Chapel. Let us emulate their example!

For the past twenty years, I have been permitted to serve as Choirmaster. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve in God's Church. My hopes and disappointments have, I suppose, been similar to those of my predecessors; but my joys have been many. I have witnessed choir members singing as if inspired, every nerve and muscle taut lest they lose the opportunity to sing God's message into the hearts of the congregation. I know that their efforts brought gladness to many. There has been marked devotion in their work, sacrifice of personal desires, and generous response to the appeals of the Church for financial help. The Choir has contributed often to the social life of the Church and functioned on public occasions at social events in our city with credit to itself and to our Church.

Every work well done brings its measure of reward. Have you ever experienced the joy of accomplishment? Talk to members of other years, see their eyes twinkle as they discuss the choir of that time and listen to fond memories that they unfold for you. Theirs is the satisfaction of having taken an important part in the Services of their Church. If you are not a member of the Choir, if God has given you the ability to sing, if you enjoy music, join the Choir now. Don't wait. Help us to sing and as you march in the centre aisle singing the words- "Christ for the World we sing, the World to Christ we bring, with fervent zeal", I am sure that you will be happier than ever before.

Howard S. Hipwell.

THE CHAPEL ORGAN.

Our Organ which has seen service for many years has up till recently been badly in need of repairs. Few of the members of the Congregation realised how badly it required a thorough overhauling.

Recognising that something radical must be done, if the instrument was to function properly in the future, the Vicar had a consultation with Mr Hipwell and Mr Carl Rassmann, member of the firm which has for many years held the contract under which his company attends to all the instruments of the Parish. Mr Rassmann submitted an estimate according to which our organ was to be cleaned out from the accumulation of dust, all the Pipes to be taken out and thoroughly cleaned, replaced, and regulated for proper speech; all the leather buttons in the organ, which had been crumbling with age, and numbering approximately 500 were replaced by new ones. All the trackers were also replaced.

The volume and tone of the instrument have consequently been much improved, and the organ, which in the opinion of experts, is a really fine one, should be available for service for many years to come.

While this work was being done, it occurred to some that in order to extend the range of the instrument's capacity, it might at this juncture be a suitable time at which to instal a Set of Chimes. It was accordingly resolved that this should be done, and that these Chimes would be a fitting memorial to the late Mr and Mrs George C. Thomas, seeing that Mr Thomas in his lifetime had often played on the Organ at various Chapel services.

These Chimes are therefore played for the first time today on the Chapel's Fiftieth Birthday.

They have been manufactured by Messrs Kohler-Liebich of Chicago, who specialise in this work. They are of Grade A. quality, and consist of 25 notes (G to G). The Chimes are tubular in shape and constructed of the purest Bell Metal. The Set is graduated as to length, the diameter of the tubes and also as to the thickness of the side walls. The lowest tone tube is G. below middle C., and is 81 inches in length and 1-13/16 inches in diameter. The highest Chimes is the second C. above middle C., 31 inches long and 1-1/8 inches in diameter.

The chimes are struck with hammers of which the metal parts are graduated in size and weight to suit each individual note throughout the set, and the tip which forms the striking surface is constructed of special formed hide, which has been found to be the perfect tip to obtain uniform tonal response at all times.

The whole work has been most efficiently carried out by the well known firm of Messrs Rassmann and Donnelly of Philadelphia, and we believe reflects effectively its care and general attention to detail.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Statement by Miss Margaret J. Young, Secretary

After glancing over our early history it makes one wonder just what sort of picture the founder, George C. Thomas, visualized of the Chapel fifty years later and whether or not his supreme ideals and outstanding leadership which he put before the people of the community have been realized. The great interest he showed in Sunday School work and Missions is not only being maintained in our own Parish, but also throughout the Diocese.

The Sunday School during the past half a century has played a very important part in further developing the history of the Chapel, for it is from here that many of our present day Church workers received their knowledge and evolved a sense of responsibility and leadership and now are working faithfully for One Divine Cause.

A very casual glance over our old records supplies some interesting information. We find that the first Superintendent was the late Mr. Simon Porter, who continued in that position until June 9, 1907, when he resigned after twenty years' service to go to the Chapel of the Mediator. The first Secretary was the late Mr. Jerome S. Cross whose care of the School and general attention to the best interests of the Chapel are very apparent to anyone using our old books today. The old minutes are written in his clear hand and faithfully state what happened each week. Mr. Cross began his work at the Chapel in 1886 and his signature may be seen with few breaks until the year 1910.

Today we are glad to think that one of the first teachers who came to 27th and Wharton Sts., fifty years ago is still with us. The School can never over estimate the devotion and constancy of Miss Jennie Dunlap whose long record of faithful service is one of the cardinal features of the whole Chapel Sunday School life. She is still teacher of Bible Class B., having begun her work under the direct inspiration of Mr. George C. Thomas in 1886 and from that time she has participated most heartily in every movement which has had for its end the welfare of the School. In the history of the Chapel, there are few instances which can surpass hers in length of time -- certainly none in the depth and value of its loyalty and devotion.

Starting in McFadden's Hall on Gray's Ferry Road, the School had five officers and teachers and twenty-six scholars. The services were continued at the Hall until January 22, 1888. It left the Hall after a period of 71 weeks with 78 scholars, 8 classes and 10 teachers and officers. The first Easter Offering in 1887 was \$24.47. This jumped in the following year to \$89.67. In 1889 it reached \$126.90 and so went on increasing until it one year attained the sum of \$1790. Up till the time of the 1929 depression, the School had been giving in the neighborhood of \$1500 per annum for the Missionary work of the general Church. The highest attendance recorded has been 523 and now at the present time there are about 350 children on the roll.

No School could have a more loyal band of workers. We believe we are correct in saying this. All the officers and teachers, and we believe the vast majority of the scholars are cooperative, and always willing to offer their services when such is deemed necessary. An outstanding example of such coopera-

tion has been shown during the Lenten Season, at which time each class endeavors to the best of its ability, along with its fellows to make the Lenten Offering as large as possible.

The quality of the instruction imparted to the children is high. An earnest effort is always made to provide a good working knowledge both of the Bible and Prayer Book and also to afford the scholars some ideas as to the fabric of the Church and its appointments, and to teach them the meaning of the Seasons which make up the Church's Year.

Visitors to our School have on various occasions, commented very favorably on the good order which is maintained during the School session. This compares, we believe, favorably with the confusion and general inattention on the part of the children, to be found elsewhere. There is no rushing about in the Holy Communion Sunday School. A stroke of the bell is sufficient to bring the whole group to attention.

Another feature which has impressed me is the resourcefulness of the children. Beginning at an early age they seem to step, unconsciously as it were, into the ranks of the workers. Quite a very respectable proportion of the money raised in past years has been provided by the efforts of the children themselves. Both boys and girls have joined in this laudable enterprise. In this connection one cannot forget the annual contribution made by the Little Helpers, whose boxes have been distributed and received for many years by Mrs. Scherer. This feeling of responsibility is something which is bound to serve those who give evidence of it, in good stead in after life.

Up until two years ago, when a questionnaire was distributed amongst the parents in order to determine if a change of hour would be mutually advantageous, the Sunday School met at 2:30 P.M. The information supplied by this questionnaire proved gratifying and indicated that a change in the hour was desired. The new hour has proven most suitable, the School now meeting shortly after the Morning Service. May our School continue to grow both in numbers and activity. The traditional May Festival, Sunday School Picnic and Christmas Entertainment are still very much alive and each year brings forth new talent.

It is needless to comment on the work that has been carried on by the clergymen pertaining to the Sunday School. Each in his own individual way has given more to the maintenance of the work than can actually be placed in writing. Amongst the lay workers of the past and present, various names spring to the mind when one recalls what has been accomplished. These should include those of Mrs. Remington and Mrs. Berkeley, Deaconess Bispham (who is doing splendid work), Mrs. Moorby, Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Mulligan, Mrs. McNamee, Mrs. W. F. Oberhuber, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Mensch, Mrs. T. Scherer (whose regretted illness everyone is sorry for) the late Mrs. Robert J. Young, (whose activities were general throughout the Church) Mrs. F. Bonyng, Mrs. L. Ulrich, the Misses E. Bauer, Hannah Morrow, Margaret Collins, Agnes Brown, Anna Krall, Margaret Brown; Mrs. McKeown, Mr. Devitt and the late William Huey. We are ready to commence another year under the able leadership of Miss Isabella J. Peoples, who has proven herself competent by her splendid work in various organizations of the Chapel.

With the unfailing guidance of God, it is the earnest hope of the present officers and teachers that they will be able to carry on the good work previously done and that they, too, will be able to set forth good examples for those who are to follow.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Mrs Howard S. Hipwell, President

Mrs Olga Devitt, Secty.

Mrs Devitt, the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, has kindly acceded to request that she should supply some facts incident to the Auxiliary's methods and work. She writes as follows:- "The writer, being unable to contact any members of the Auxiliary in the days of long ago, can only state the facts from the time our present Auxiliary was reorganised in March 1926.

'We have a membership of thirty, under the very able leadership of our President, Mrs Howard S. Hipwell. In the effort to keep abreast of what is happening in the Diocese and General Church, we have five delegates, who during the active season, attend the meetings of the Auxiliary at the Church House, each Delegate attending her Committee meeting once a month. These Committees are the Foreign, the Domestic, the Diocesan, the Colored and the Indian Hope Committee. Each delegate brings to us a most instructive account of what has taken place at this meeting, and it is very gratifying to be kept fully informed of what is going on in the Church World outside the Chapel. If it were not for this information, we would be entirely ignorant of what transpires on the outside.'

'The Auxiliary pledges and sends \$12.00 per year to each Committee-or \$60 in all. Our Meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 2 P.M. and a spirit of good fellowship always prevails'.

'During the Lenten Season, the Auxiliary has been favored by visits of some very interesting speakers from other churches, and they have invariably brought messages of an exceedingly helpful and stimulating character'.

'Each member has a United Thank Offering box, of which the late Mrs Robert Young Sr. was the Custodian for many years. After her death, Mrs Maria MacFarland was chosen Custodian, and now very worthily fills this position'.

'The Auxiliary also takes part of the Sewing from the Church House, each member doing her share of it at home. The finished articles are then taken to the Diocesan Office and credit is given for the work to the Auxiliary. Mrs McFarland and Mrs Isabel Dunn are in charge of these activities.'

'In addition to our work, we have also some lovely parties and Covered Luncheons. Once a year, we all meet in town, going to some theatre, and having a delightful lunch afterwards'.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

1918--1936

The Girls' Friendly Society is a special work among girls. 'it holds that the moral integrity of womanhood is essential to Christian civilisation': it therefore admits and retains in membership those who pledge themselves to uphold the Christian standard of purity in thought, word, and deed, striving to uphold the ideal of Christian fellowship and character.

ITS OBJECT is: to unite for the glory of God, in one fellowship of prayer and service, the women and girls of the nation to uphold the Christian standard of honour and morality. The motto is 'bear ye one another's burdens' and thus fulfil the law of Christ'. Can any Society have a higher aim or object? We are a Church organisation, and therefore help to strengthen the work in our Parish, Diocese and in the Mission Field.

As I look back at some of our Neighbourhood Conference reports, I see that all through these years our girls have faithfully taught in the Sunday School Primary and Main Departments, sung in the Junior and Senior Choirs, delivered flowers to the sick from the Altar and plants at Easter. They have worked diligently for the Bazaar conducted by the G.F.S. Members and Candidates at first, and afterwards by the united organisations of the Chapel. They have served at the Suppers, raised money by entertainments, dances, card and radio parties, and in the period covered by this report presented at Easter an Offering for the Chapel which in the aggregate has amounted to \$1576.73. The Candidates have also given about \$50 to the Emergency Fund of the Chapel.

DIOCESE- Our girls have worked for the Episcopal Hospital and the City Mission. They have contributed to the Episcopal Day for the Blind: given Clothing for the Needlework Guild: served at each G.F.S. Diocesan Garden Party: helped at Rummage Sales: contributed to the Holiday House, Cape May at Annual Services: donated money and gifts to furnish 'Our Room' at the Holiday House: attended the Neighbourhood Conferences, (two having been held at the Chapel): worked for St. Martha's House, Phila.

DIOCESAN PAGEANTS- for money raising objects-our girls took part in both of these.

NORMAL SCHOOL- Some of our girls attended the various classes and the Altar Guild.

SEAFARERS' MISSION- Gave canned goods at Christmas and helped to wrap gifts.

HOUSING COMMITTEE- Visited the houses in the slums, examining their condition, and made excellent reports.

NATIONAL CENTRE WASHINGTON:- Made a gift of money, \$21.75.

MISSION FIELD:-

Money objects and work, Bontoc, P.I.

Mount Vaughan and Cape Palmas, Liberia.

Rosebud Mission, South Dakota.

Bishop Tuttle Memorial Training School, St Augustine's Raleigh, N.C.

Bishop Rowe's Chapel, Yukon Alaska.

Voorhees Normal and Industrial School, Denmark South Carolina.

Cuba- Inoto Mission Bacuranao.

St. Anna's Colored Mission Columbia East Carolina.

St. Thomas' Mission, Beattyville, Kentucky.

St. Mark's, Danto, South Western Virginia.

Cannon Ball, Indian Mission, North Dakota.

Church Mission of Help.

St. Mary's Indian Mission, Nixon, Nevada.

Bishop Jenkin's Work, Diocese of Nevada.

Grace Church Mission, Lynnewood, Va.

St. John's Mission Hospital, Jackson, Wyoming.

St. Mary's Boarding School for Indian Girls, Springfield, S. D.

Christmas presents for the Philadelphia General Hospital for Incurables.

THE CANDIDATES:-

Although they have done their part in all these activities mentioned here still there are things the Candidates have done apart.

Annual Diocesan Missionary Service at the Chapel conducted by our Candidates:-

Chinose Night.

Mexican Night.

Dramatic Club.

Christmas presents to the Philadelphia Institute for Feeble-Minded children.

Christmas presents and baskets donated packed and delivered by the Candidates to the Shut-Ins.

In all these things we have seen the Members and Candidates' Service to the Church.

What has the G.F.S. done for them?

It has taught them to serve and they love to serve. It has taught them Hand Work, Sewing, Embroidery, Basket-Weaving, Knitting and Crocheting. It has provided wholesome fun and sports, such as Dodge Ball, Captain Ball, Basket Ball (we have our own team) picnics, parties suppers and in the past-dances. The Girls joined the Diocesan Friendly Basket Ball League in 1930 and 1931, and won several games.

WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP:- Here the girls have conducted the Worship period: attended the Corporate Communion and served in the Junior Altar Guild. Two of our Members have conducted and given Missionary talks in Lent. The girls attended the General Convention in Atlantic City.

HOLIDAY HOUSE CAPE MAY N.J.:- This Institution provides a safe vacation and happy time. Seven Candidates and seven Members were able to go through the kindness of friends this year. We are very proud to hear good reports and the Candidates conducted Morning Worship on three different occasions at the House.

CANDIDATES' CONTESTS:- Our children have on many occasions won the prizes offered by the Senior Member's Club of the Diocese for handwork, sewing, knitting, crocheting, and they have gained certificates of recognition. In closing, I wish to pay tribute to my Associates who have helped me in the past, and also to those who now rest from their labours. May I express my sincere appreciation and thanks to my present Associates- the Misses Anna Krall and Margaret Young for their help and very constructive work.

Zulma Bispham Branch President.

The Berkeley Athletic Club.

The Berkeley Athletic Club was organised about 1911 by the Rev. Alfred Berkeley for the young men of his Bible Class. Although originally formed for Athletic purposes, the Club has also taken an part in the forward movement of the Church.

The Club has been well known in baseball and basketball circles since it started, having won several basketball championships in the old Brotherhood of Protestant Church Clubs before the War. After the Brotherhood League had disbanded, the Berkeley Club defeated some of the best amateur teams in the city.

In recent years, the Club has been represented in a basketball League at the Vane Recreation Centre, winning the Championship several times in succession, between 1927 and 1933. Our team finished second in the South Philadelphia League in 1933-34. At present, the team is affiliated with the Associated Protestant Church Clubs of Philadelphia, composed of fourteen leagues and representing over one hundred churches.

Followers of the Berkeley Club in its early days will remember that in addition to being well known in sports, the Club was also famous for its minstrel troupe. In late years, the Club has earned other laurels, having twice won the Championship of a Pool tournament conducted with teams of churches in the neighbourhood.

The Club is open every night during the Winter, except Saturday and Sunday for members who wish to play pool, shuffleboard, or ping pong or short darts. It will reopen on the first week in October, and any male young person of the Protestant Faith, over sixteen years of age, is cordially invited to come down to the Club room and join.

Louis Ulrich, President.

The Sewing Circle.

Mrs M. McFarland, President Mrs Mary Huff, Secty Mrs L. Mensch Treas.

This body was organised as an outcome of the Chapel Aid in December 1919. The late Mrs Robert J. Young was President, the late Mrs Thomas Watson, Vice-President, and Mrs George D. Craig as Secretary and Treasurer. In the year 1924, the two organisations merged and have been known since under the above title. Mrs H Huff became President in October 1923, and since that time, the Circle has done much useful work for the Chapel, notably the outfitting of the Junior Choir Girls with the Quaker Gowns, which they wore for some years. The Circle organised the first Lawn Party in August 1922, and also the first Bazaar in the year 1920.

At present, the Sewing Circle maintains the tradition of many years' establishment, that of quilting on Tuesday evenings. The quilts are ordered by friends of the Chapel, and from the proceeds of this work, and also by the payment of dues, the Circle is able to purchase materials and articles which are sold at the Lawn Party and the Annual Christmas Bazaar. In common with other organisations, the Sewing Circle makes an annual contribution to the Chapel Easter Offering. It is doing a most useful work and fills a very important place in the life of the Church.

THE MOTHERS' UNION

Statement by Mrs. W. Stenz, President

The first meeting of the Mothers' Union was held on Friday, September 30, 1927 at the hour of 8 P.M. Fourteen charter members were enrolled and the objects of the organization were explained. These were stated briefly by the Vicar and included the following to work for the Chapel, to help the mothers in their daily life by teaching them anything useful which they did not know.

In the process of time a Savings Fund was added to these objects, so that the members might have the opportunity to put past a few cents or dollars each week to provide for coal in the Winter and any other commodity which they needed. In the first years of the Union this Fund proved to be very popular and the majority of the members availed themselves of the privilege. It was surprising to total up at the end of the year the sum which had been lodged and drawn against daily contingencies. Up till the year of the depression, the figure continued to be a large one but the lean years affected it very much. We are glad to say that the Coal Fund is still in existence and that some of the women at any rate still avail themselves of the opportunity to save.

During the past nine years the members have endeavored to strengthen the work of the Chapel in every fashion that suggested itself to their minds. They have faithfully and willingly responded to every call made upon the resources of the Union, to assist whether separately, or in a United effort with other organizations.

The result has been that the Society has brought into active work at the Chapel some who had not been attending regularly the Chapel services. These people, we are proud to say, are now regular worshippers. Thirteen members have come forward for Confirmation. The third Sunday of the month was chosen for "Mothers' Union Night" at Church. Mothers Day was set apart for the members' Corporate Communion.

The Union has since its foundation, given liberally both to the Easter Offering and also to the Emergency Fund collected at the end of the year. It has helped in canvassing for the Easter Service. The women have visited in connection with the Sunday School and assisted definitely at the Bazaar. Their first undertaking in connection with the Annual Bazaar was a Baby Show, and later on they had the Grocery Stall, the Delicatessen table and the Fish Pond. The members have helped at the Lawn Parties in various ways. They ran the radio games, made carnations for Mothers Day, hemmed towels for the Episcopal Hospital and made articles for the District Nursing Association. In addition they have helped in serving lunches and donated cakes, etc., for the Episcopal Day for the Blind.

Money Raising Devices - 28 Cafeterias, 9 Package parties, 10 Hat parties 11 Radio parties, 2 Fuhrman Inn suppers, 2 Banquets and other small events. A play organized by them was a great success.

Entertainments - Moving Pictures, Irish Night by the Rev. Frank Bonyng.

Speakers during the Years - Pictures and Lecture on the Seamen's Institute by the Rev. Percy Stockman.

Talk on the Chinese by Deaconess Stewart.

Deacomess Colesberry - Talk on St. Marthas House.

Miss Frost - District Nursing Association.

Miss Lander - Consumers League.

Miss Fisher - The City Mission.

Mrs. William Spiess - The Passion Play in Switzerland.

Mrs. Frank Bonyng - Various talks on Missions.

Mr. John Devitt - Discussion on Home Remedies.

Mr. Summerfield - Spoke from the Chamber of Commerce

Recreation - Valentine Day Parties, Waffle Parties, Games, St. Patrick's Day and Halloween Parties.

Picnics - to the Children's Play Ground, Riverview Beach and to Penn Valley.

In conclusion, the President wishes to thank all the Mothers very heartily for their generous cooperation in every undertaking having for its object the good of the Society and the Chapel. She asks for and is confident that the members will continue in the future as they have done in the past to show themselves worthy of the splendid traditions of the Chapel of the Holy Communion.

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THE SENIOR MEN'S CLUB

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Mr. Frank Larkin, President

Mr. David Young, Treasurer

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This Society owes its origin to the Rev. W. P. Remington, as he was known when Vicar of the Chapel. There are in existence today some very interesting old photographs of the Club Room after the Parish House was built, and one can see in them the figures of men who are still active in the work -- still members of the organization -- and of course there are others, active in the olden days, who have passed away.

Perhaps nobody in the range of our Chapel life has done more to keep the men together than this Society. Even although one finds many outside attractions, which were not in existence when the club was started, the Men's Club supplies a very evident want in our Chapel life. There is probably no more interesting sight than to visit the men's quarters on the Saturday evening when they gather together and to see them engaged in friendly intercourse -- the one with the other. Here one finds all the events of the week discussed in detail, and amongst these, it is good often to find that our men are not so interested in the world outside, as to forget the things that have their being inside the Chapel area.

Like every other institution, both inside and outside the Church, the Club has had its high spots and its low ones. There have been times when a visitor would have found it difficult to find a seat and there have been others when the attendance has been slight.

The members enjoy friendly rivalry at the Pool Tables or on the Shuffleboards. Competitions have been held at frequent intervals with Clubs from other churches in the neighborhood with pleasant results.

The Senior Men's Club has uniformly made a very valuable contribution to the Easter Offering of the Chapel. They have never missed a single year, and the money has been given often at times when the act entailed a distinct sacrifice on the part of the giver. We wish the Club every success and are glad to bear witness to its loyalty and support.

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YOUNG PEOPLES' FELLOWSHIP.

This organisation is one of the comparatively recent organisations, working among the young people of the Chapel. It was designed to give this section of the Church the opportunity to develop leadership. We are glad to think that our Branch has enjoyed a distinguished career, and the Editor believes it is only fitting that the heads of the Branch should speak for themselves. In response to his request, the subjoined have written out their impressions, which he is glad to reproduce without any comment or alteration. They are self-explanatory.

Statement by the First President.

Miss Isabella J. Peoples,

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Miss Isabella J. Peoples, the First President of the Chapel Y.P.F. (1933-34) has written as follows:- 'In the Spring of 1933, in spite of the fact that our young people were busily engaged in attending various organisations almost every night of the week, the need of a Young Peoples' Fellowship at the Chapel was felt. A group approached Mr Bonyngs who sanctioned the idea wholeheartedly. A meeting was called for the next Sunday when a small enthusiastic group met and elected officers. Our knowledge of the working of a Fellowship was very limited. Hence the following week, the Rev B.J. Rudderow and Charlie Wood, the Advisor and President of the Diocesan organisation respectively were invited to visit us to acquaint us with just what was required of us, as individuals and as an organisation. As the result of that meeting, we anxiously looked forward to our regular meetings to be held in the Fall.

Far into the Winter we were still learning much about the four-fold aim of the Y.P.F., (Worship, Service, Study and Fellowship) through lively discussion and interesting reports prepared chiefly by our own members. As time went on, we found ourselves to be a strong active unit. We had always a purposeful objective as our aim. Our growth and influence were given recognition, not only by our Vicar, and also the members of the Chapel, but also by the Convocational organisation. We were quite proud when we were told we had won the first prize for collecting the most shoes for the City Mission. Then again when we were complimented upon the work we did for St. Martha's Settlement House and when our Christmas Pageant portrayed so beautifully and reverently the Christmas story.

Had it not been for the Fellowship and its unlimited field of work which it offers, the potentialities of our young people, I am afraid, would never have been revealed. It is, to my mind, a pleasant tonic to the Church of which it is a part, and also to its youthful members. At least, we of the Holy Communion, have found it so, and I believe I am safe in saying the first year of the existence of our Y.P.F. was a happy and enjoyable one'.

Respectfully Submitted Isabella J. Peoples,
President 1933-34.

Statement by the Second President-Mr J. Richardson.

Mr James Richardson, the Second President, writes as follows:- "The finest people in any community are those people actively interested in Church and Church work. The opportunity to meet-to know and to work with to-morrow's finest is offered by the Y. P. F.

It's not just nod'n acquaintance we offer; but true and deep friendships which grow in numbers and cover increasingly large areas as the years roll by.

"Holy Communion", as others call us, has held a very prominent place in Fellowship circles for the past three years. We who have been honored with leadership of 'Holy Communion' know best the nature of the splendid work that has been done. The influx of young new members, the ability of the young but experienced officers in charge and the endowment of a fine spirit of Fellowship, all indicate that we cannot over-estimate the potentialities of our Y. P. F. for some years to come".

Mr Harry Huff, 3rd. President, Speaks:-

Mr Harry Huff Jr., the Third President of the Fellowship, has written to me regarding his year of office, under date September 11 1936 as follows:- 'Dear Mr Bonyage- Replying to your postal card of the 2nd., During my term of office as President of the Young Peoples' Fellowship, I found it to be extremely valuable in many cases.

It has been an educational year, particularly from a religious standpoint. There were topics concerning the Bible that were very interesting to me, also the short talks concerning foreign affairs, marriage, fellowship in the home, church, school etc. were both educational and in some cases, amusing. The Sunday evening meetings, with the prayers, hymns, short talks by our members and also by outside speakers, are inspiring to the young people of our Church, especially when every member takes an active part. The sponsoring of Services in Church by the Fellowship is also inspiring to the young people, and I certainly enjoyed taking part in them.

The spirit shown by the members in visiting the Episcopal Hospital and Harrison Home on Palm Sunday, and Sunday preceding Christmas, bringing toys etc. to the children, fruit to the men, singing of the Easter hymns and Christmas Carols, is something that the Fellowship should be proud of. I feel happy to know that it can visit these different Institutions and bring cheer and happiness to these men.

In conclusion, I will say from the bottom of my heart, I did enjoy being an Officer of the Fellowship, and I hope and pray that it will continue on and on; and that each and every member will cooperate to the utmost to carry out the four ideals of Worship, Service, Study and last but not least-Fellowship.

I want to thank you indeed for your kindness and advice in assisting me to perform my duties as an Officer of the Fellowship, and I hope you will continue to give the same good advice to future officers of this organisation.

Sincerely Yours- Harry Huff.

Statement by Mr Howard A. Porter-President 1936-37.

The Editor asked Mr Howard Porter, President of the Fellowship for the current year to afford some indication of the programme to be followed in the coming Winter, and he has kindly acceded to this request.

He says that the first important event will be the Fall Dance, which will take place on the evening of Friday, October 2. For this event, the members are working now in the effort to make it as successful as former events of the same kind.

In addition, a programme of varied topics is being arranged for the Sunday evening meetings with everyone taking part. It is hoped that the discussion will continue to be general as in the past.

Outside the Chapel itself, the Branch will engage in some spheres of Diocesan activity. An effort will be put forth to visit some of the Institutions of the Diocese and to spread good cheer where such is required. The work of the Seaman's Institute will also engage the Branch's attention, as our body is directly represented on the Diocesan Y.P.F. Committee which has charge of the arrangements being made with this end in view. The Episcopal Hospital will also be visited, where the inmates will be acquainted of the Branch's visit. In the writer's opinion, everyone in the Harrison Home, and everyone who goes there from the Fellowship of the Holy Communion, leaves happier and contented, for having tried in a small way to bring a little sunshine where such is badly needed. We know this from experience. At Christmas, the Branch will go through the neighbourhood, carolling.

In the latter part of October, the Fellowship will have a Hay Ride, which, judging from the experience of other years, will be productive of much enjoyment.

At the New Year, the Fellowship will turn its thoughts towards the Easter Offering to raise some money for the support of the Chapel. A Card and Radio Party will be held, the proceeds to be given to the Church with the remainder of the Organisation Offerings.

A Picnic will be held on Memorial Day, and the session will conclude as in the past with the Annual Banquet, which, it is hoped, will be as successful as that of 1936. The members recall with much pleasure and gratification the visit of the Bishop of Pennsylvania on the occasion of the last banquet.

Periodic social evenings are being arranged, and it is hoped to have one or two Indoor Swimming Parties during the Winter.

The main idea lying at the back of the whole programme is that of trying to combine work with play, in the belief that everyone shows his best under such circumstances.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

Statement by Miss Agnes Brown, Secretary of the Diocese

At the time of the development and organization of the co-educational idea in the Public School system, there was felt a corresponding need in the Protestant Churches for a Boy and Girl organization. The Episcopal Church was one of the last to attempt such a set-up. It was not until the early 20's that Young People's Fellowship work actually got under way in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. In May 1924, ten Parish Y.P.F.'s came together, drew up a Constitution and organized our own Diocesan Young People's Fellowship.

In the gradual development of work amongst young people of the Church there was little or no adequate coordination. This is exemplified by the fact that in the Southern Dioceses one finds there the Young People's Service League, in the Northern part of the country the Young People's Fellowship, and in certain other parts one finds Greek Letter Bodies. While differing in name and somewhat in objectives, there was a great similarity in the basis of organization. These aims were brought together at a National Young People's Conference held in the Middle West. The ideals of Study, Service, Worship and Fellowship were chosen by the young people as the common basis for their work in the Church. Today while the names of the organizations still vary, these ideals are still the common watchword.

In this Diocese the growth of the movement, while unspectacular, has been constant. The early Diocesan program was limited to the Diocesan Convention and the Diocesan Dance. We now have a program which fully lives up to our four ideals. This growth in the Diocesan program has been made for two reasons. First, in order to bring the Young People of this Diocese into close contact with each other. Second, to aid the individual Parish Y.P.F. by an example of a well rounded program. Perhaps the greatest work that the Fellowship has undertaken, is in the field of Service and Missions. This has come after a realization on the part of the young people, that while study is necessary for mental growth, practical application of our Christianity must be shown in the every day life as evidenced by Social Service and Church Missions. Typical Young People's Fellowship programs now include work for the Episcopal Hospital, the Seamen's Institute, the City Mission through its many Institutions and Rural and Foreign Missions.

Through the medium of the Youth Award, the Young People's Fellowship of this Diocese recognizes the fact, that it is but one section of the entire Youth program of our Church, and at its annual Convention gives the Y.P.F. Youth Award to any youth organization of our Church who have made an outstanding contribution.

It was thus, with the above as our guide and background that in 1933 there was felt an urge for just such a body at the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion. This was realized when in the Spring of that year, we were organized after an enthusiastic talk by Rev. B. J. Rudderow and Charles W. Wood, Jr., then President of the Diocese. Election of officers took place giving us Isabella J. Peoples as president, Isabel Richardson, vice president, Hannah Morrow, secretary and Samuel Hill treasurer. The Rev. Frank Bonyngé, our Vicar, who attended the various meetings and held the helm, acted at all times as Advisor. A debt of gratitude is due all these people. That year we started with 26 members and had 62 at the end of the Fellowship year. The Summer of '33 found us planning a dance, which would help to defray the expense of the new floor in the Parish House. The Fellowship undertook this as its project, and each year a dance is given in the Fall; the proceeds or part of them given for this purpose. That year we held our first Candle Light Service and assisted Mr. Bonyngé with the Every Member Campaign. We visited the Harrison Home, which is a section of

the Episcopal Hospital, and supplied the patients with fruit and entertainment. We are very proud of the fact that the Old Gentlemen there always remember us when we pay them a visit. We did our first Christmas carolling. We had members of our Fellowship talk at other churches for the purpose of raising funds for the Episcopal Hospital Thanksgiving Drive. That year the Diocese asked for shoes for the City Mission, and said they would award the Fellowship sending in the greatest number of pairs with a prize. Holy Communion came through with the prize. "Shoey", the name given the doll won, has a place of honor in our Fellowship. That Spring we gave our first May Dance and June Banquet. All of these were productive of keen enjoyment.

Fall of 1934 brought our new officers into action. James Richardson was our new President, Louis Ulrich, vice-president, David MacLaughlin, treasurer and Agnes Brown, secretary. The projects of the first year had become traditional and so our second year followed on the same lines. This year we won the distinction of having one of our members on the Executive Council. Isabel Richardson was elected Chairman of the Central Convocation. This was the first time a girl had served in this capacity. Under her leadership Central Convocation came through on top, with Holy Communion leading.

None of the above could have been accomplished without the untiring effort of our Vicar, and the excellent support of our members and fellow parishioners.

The Fellowship year 1935-36 brought us Harry Huff as president, William Smith, vice-president, Margaret Orr, secretary and Howard Porter, treasurer. It was in this year that our "Chapel Chimes" the Parish paper was sponsored by the Fellowship. An excellent job was done by those in charge, and the paper became something to look forward to each month.

Today we are starting a new Fellowship year, with Howard Porter, president, Samuel Wallace, vice-president, Margaret Huff, secretary and William Parker, treasurer. They have already laid their foundation for the coming year, starting off with their Fall Dance in process of arrangement.

Ever since we organized we have left no stone unturned to come out on top. We earned a place in the eyes of the Diocese and thus far we have held on to it. First with the election of Isabel Richardson to the Central Convocationship and with Margaret J. Young as the present Secretary (1936) of our Central Convocation.

Without my own Fellowship's support I could never have been trained to fill the position of Secretary of the Diocese. That is one of the fine things about our organization. It gave confidence to our young people. Someone asked me once why we didn't have more outside speakers. I told them while we liked and appreciated outside speakers, we were building our own young people, training them for their place in the Diocese. Anyone having visited our meetings will tell you we have done that.

We are the baby organization of the Church. We didn't have the experience and advice that our other Church organizations had to build on. For some reason or other many of the young people of the Church feel, after they reach a certain age that their work is done and that they are no longer needed. Rather than stay on with us and give us the advantage of their experiences and information they leave us, and every so often we find we must start over again until this lost assistance is again made up. Anyone having this impression let us say we need you when you are forty as much as we did when you were sixteen.

The Young People's Fellowship as a whole has just started. With the help of all members and in cooperation with the Convocation and Diocese, we hope in a few years to attain a goal of service that we have been working for so steadily. This will be realized when we cooperate as one.

Statement by Mr John Devitt, Chapel Treasurer.

On the occasion of this-our Fiftieth Anniversary, I look back with pleasure on the many happy years I have spent in the Chapel. Some of these were years of 'full and plenty', and then some of them were rather lean ones.

I accepted the Office of Treasurer in November 1928, and during these past eight years we have had the worst depression in our country's history.

It has been a pleasure to work with our Vicar during this period, and at intervals to place before the Congregation the facts relating to our financial condition. It was still greater pleasure to be able to report to the Church each year that we had finished in the black.

Let us turn back the pages of time and think of our past Treasurers-Mr Jerome S. Cross-quiet and with a wonderful personality. It was with Mr Cross that I had my humble beginning. Mr Cross was assisted by Mr Norman Macleod and Messrs Elmer Mooney, Leonard D. Mink and myself.

Upon his resignation, the Advisory Board selected Mr David Gray, a quiet and unassuming man, and on his resignation the late Mr Hugh Gallagher was chosen for the position. Mr. Gallagher was liked by everyone. On his death, I took his place in November 1928.

Christmas Work.

During the regime of the present Vicar, and also for some years previously, it became the custom to distribute baskets during the season of Christmas to the deserving poor of the neighbourhood.

The number of these baskets at first was small, but owing to the depression, the list steadily grew, so that in the last five years or so, between 90 and 100 baskets have been given out annually to the needy.

To finance the project the Children of the Sunday School have contributed at the Christmas Manger Service. Interested members of the congregation in a few cases have also helped, and money has come in from the outside from friends of the Vicar, who have realised the need that exists for the maintenance of the distribution.

In the name of all those who have benefitted in the past by such liberality, the Vicar and the Deaconess who have superintended the work, desire to thank everyone for their valuable assistance.

They both express the hope that those who have aided us in the past, will continue to do so in the future. No one knows better than those who work in the Office the real definite need that remains for the maintenance of this very laudable enterprise.

EASTER AND CHRISTMAS COMMUNIONS.

1907-1936

The following have been the Communicating Attendances at both Easter and Christmas for the period between the year 1907 and 1936, which is covered by our Service Books.

Year	Easter	Christmas	Year
1907	188	110	1907
1908	235	92	1908
1909	230	113	1909
1910	234	155	1910
1911	244	140	1911
1912	297	130	1912
1913	369	180	1913
1914	390	230	1914
1915	324	183	1915
1916	445	97	1916
1917	342	105	1917
1918	242	133	1918
1919	310	118	1919
1920	311	92	1920
1921	328	164	1921
1922	368	168	1922
1923	362	179	1923
1924	329	166	1924
1925	351	201	1925
1926	336	189	1926
1927	371	224	1927
1928	338	184	1928
1929	335	170	1929
1930	362	212	1930
1931	410	236	1931
1932	451	234	1932
1933	490	240	1933
1934	512	209	1934
1935	544	224	1935
1936	486	---	1936

HALF A CENTURY'S VITAL STATISTICS.

The Chapel Records show that the following is the number of Occasional Services held from 1886 till 1936:-

Baptisms	3216
Confirmations	1566
Marriages	564
Burials	1561

NECROLOGY.

During the present Vicar's tenure of office, the following members of the Congregation, who were actively interested in the Chapel on his assumption of office in 1926 have passed away. In common with the Congregation, he deploras their loss, regretting that they are not present today to share in the joy incident to the Anniversary, and paying tribute to their helpfulness and support in the past.

Name	Date of Death	Name	Date of Death.
Margt. McCullough	Sep 3 1926	Mary Little	Oct 5 1931
Caroline Pratt	Dec 5 1926	Esther McCullough	Nov 4 1931
Edith M. Mohn	Aug 22 1927	Eliz. Galbraith	Dec 10 1931
Saml. McLaughlin	Sep 24 1927	Mary Hill	Dec 15 1931
Mary Hill	Jan 24 1928	Isabella White	Dec 23 1931
Thomas White	Jan 8 1928	Annie Reiter	Dec 21 1931
Jane Gaffney	Apr 3 1928	Josephine Zackey	Jul 16 1932
Hugh Williamson	May 1 1928	Marthe Marshall	Sep 2 1932
John Moore	May 16 1928	Hester A. M. Shaw	Mar 17 1933
Adelaide Macool	Jun 3 1928	Alex Armstrong	June 7 1933
Hugh Gallagher	Nov 14 1928	Margt. Gillen	Jun 12 1933
Charles Allen	Nov 26 1928	Maurice Plumb	Jul 14 1933
Geo. Richardson	Mar 6 1929	Lizzie Kerr	Oct 29 1933
Herman F Eckert	Mar 13 1929	Richard Rodgers	Nov 1933
Alex. McElhenny	Jul 1 1929	Mary Donohue	Dec 8 1933
Rebecca Scott	Jul 8 1929	Phillip S Collins	Jan 8 1934
Jane Magee	Aug 11 1929	Eliza Armstrong	Jan 10 1934
Eliz. L. Harper	Aug 12 1929	Albert S Perry	Jan 23 1934
Harry C. Huff Sr.	Aug 24 1929	Margt Peoples	Jan 31 1934
Margt. S. Wallace	Sep 10 1929	Margaret Young	Feb 17 1934
Theresa Watson	Dec 6 1929	Mary J. Darrah	Feb 26 1934
Harry Campbell	Jan 3 1930	Emma Bilbrough	Apr 2 1934
Mary White	Feb 8 1930	Florence Norton	Apr 23 1934
Danl. Wallace	Apr 21 1930	John Gamble	Jul 4 1934
Maria Harvey	Jul 21 1930	Ben. J. Keegan	Jul 11 1934
Norma J. Betker	Aug 31 1930	Martha Peoples	Aug 28 1934
Oswald Muehlen	Oct 5 1930	William J. Kidd	Sep 4 1934
Saml. McLaughlin Jr.	Nov 13 1930	Francis D. Stewart	Sep 7 1934
Sarah M. Martin	Dec 1 1930	William H. White	Nov 4 1934
Mary E. Mason	Dec 6 1930	Josephine Neill	Feb 23 1935
Louis Guthrie	Dec 1930	Mary E. Engle	Apr 1 1935
William Marshall	Jan 21 1931	Spencer Darrah Sr.	Apr 16 1935
William Cooper	May 8 1931	Anna Curry	Apr 30 1935
Sarah E. Stewart	Jul 26 1931	Annie Shaw	May 8 1935
		Charles E. Johnson	Jul 9 1935
		Elizabeth Naulty	Sep 22 1935
		Mary E. Shelley	Nov 11 1935
		Catherine Rothwell	Dec 4 1935
		Ida Kaiser	Mar 11 1936
		Margaret Alcorn	Mar 27 1936
		Isabella Peoples	May 9 1936

AN OLD BOY'S MEMORIES.

The following interesting statement of his impressions of the Chapel in the olden days has been supplied by Mr Elmer MacBlain in response to a request from the Editor. It bears the caption:-

"MEMORIES"

"A pleasant memory is something that is worth more than anything that gold can buy: something that cannot be lost although all your worldly goods are gone; for it is vaulted away in the safest bank in the world-your heart, where it can always be brought out to cheer you when the skies are cloudy, and the cares of life are heavy.

And so, I am writing down a few of these happy memories that remain with me from my association with the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion.

Bishop Remington, one time, Vicar of our Chapel, and now Bishop of Eastern Oregon.

Mrs Remington, his wife, with a smile of welcome and a glad hand for all.

The Chapel Picnic to Brandywine Springs with its amusements and its picnic grove; this place now lies in ruins, while our Chapel continues to go forward.

The Ball games for the Married and the Single men on these excursions.

The Rev. A. R. Berkeley, whom I can describe with just one word- a friend.

Mrs Kirst as Choir Mother.

The two new boys who led the Choir and who arrived in the Chancel before the rest of the Choir had made the turn in the centre aisle.

The Sauer Kraut Suppers.

The Berkeley Basket Ball Teams. How the Parish House would be packed when they played!

Charlie Young as our good Sexton. HE was the one to make the boys stand at attention.

Boy Scout Troop #120-with the Fife and Drum Corps.

Camping out on the Drexel Estate, and getting the box of matches from the graveyard at midnight.

The time we went hiking in Lansdowne-the fight with the May Apples-and a certain party coming home with a black eye.

The time the ladies of the Chapel went on a picnic and camped on a hornet's nest! The party who came home without a crown in his hat.

Mr Hannah- small in stature; but with a heart always open for his friends.

Mr Wood, with his son Hugh. Both always had the interest of the Chapel at heart.

There are many other incidents, small they may be, but worth their weight in gold, too numerous to mention; but they are tucked away where some day they will come forth, and give me a few minutes of sunshine.

In closing, I have to say that we, of the present day, are having and giving many events at this-our Church. Let us strive to make them notable, friendly and happy events- for they will be the memories of to-morrow."

Elmer H. MacBlain.

A PERSONAL ITEM.

In response to a request from some friends, the present Vicar- the Rev. Frank Bonynge- appends some facts incidental to his career, which are considered by these people to possess a degree of interest.

He was born in Ireland, the son of William and Emilie Bonynge, and is of Huguenot descent: educated at the Public and Secondary Schools: entered the Queen's University and graduated with Honors(B.A. and M.A.) in the School of Historical and Political Science. Mr. Bonynge then went up to Trinity College in the University of Dublin, and also graduated there with a Moderatorship in History and Political Science. He was awarded the Helen Blake National Scholarship valued at approximately \$2,000 in American Currency, for an exhaustive treatise on Seventeenth Century Irish History, as the result of wide research over a period of years in Dublin, Oxford, London, Paris, (Bibliothèque Nationale), Brussels and other parts of the Continent of Europe. Mr. Bonynge was an active member of the Dublin University Historical Society, founded in 1747 by Edmund Burke while he was in College. This Society awarded your Vicar two valuable Silver Medals for excellence in History and Historical Composition.

He then embarked on a journalistic career, which led him into all the avenues of the profession, and supplied a comprehensive insight into human nature and affairs. He considers this to have been one of the most valuable sections of a varied career.

The subject of this notice then decided to study for Holy Orders. He went through the Dublin University Divinity School and in due course took the Divinity Testimonium. During this time, Mr. Bonynge was awarded the Bishop Elrington Theological Prize for a monograph on the subject of Eastern Monasticism, his examiner being the well-known European Scholar- the late Sir John P. Mahaffy. This was supplemented by the School's Ecclesiastical History Prize and the Scott Prize. While in the University, Mr. Bonynge was an Officer in different College Societies, including the College Musical and the Theological Society, the latter awarded him its 'Certificate of Marked Thanks for Oratory'.

Ordained Deacon in 1910 and Priest in 1911 by the late Bishop Elliott of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, Mr. Bonynge became Curate of Mohill, County Leitrim. He later transferred to the Diocese of Meath and was Rector of Rathconnell in the Western Division. While in Meath, our subject was active as Diocesan Inspector of Religious Education, also as Diocesan Secretary for Temperance, and he also represented the Irish Clergy Sons' Education Society for which he was successful in raising considerable sums of money. During the Great War, he became interested in the Nation's Food Supply, and served on the late Sir Horace Plunkett's Co-operative Committee, taking part in the discussions on the question in the Theatre of the Royal Dublin Society. Mr. Bonynge also acted as Examiner in History for the Irish Intermediate Education Board.

He left Ireland, like many others, on account of the country's disordered condition, entering the Church in America in the Diocese of Louisiana, serving under the late Bishop Sessums as a general Missionary in the State of Louisiana; subsequently becoming Rector of Franklin, where he remained from 1923 till 1926, when he was appointed to the Memorial Chapel of the Holy Communion, Philadelphia. During his residence in Franklin the Parish paid its full Quota to the Missionary Board of the General Church.

The Vicar's guiding principle in life is '2 plus 2 make 4- never 5', while he is fond of the ideal in life, he detests bunk and sham.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Special Service -- September 27th 1936

VICAR'S COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED MEN

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The Vicar embraces this opportunity to thank all the members of this Committee for their generous cooperation.